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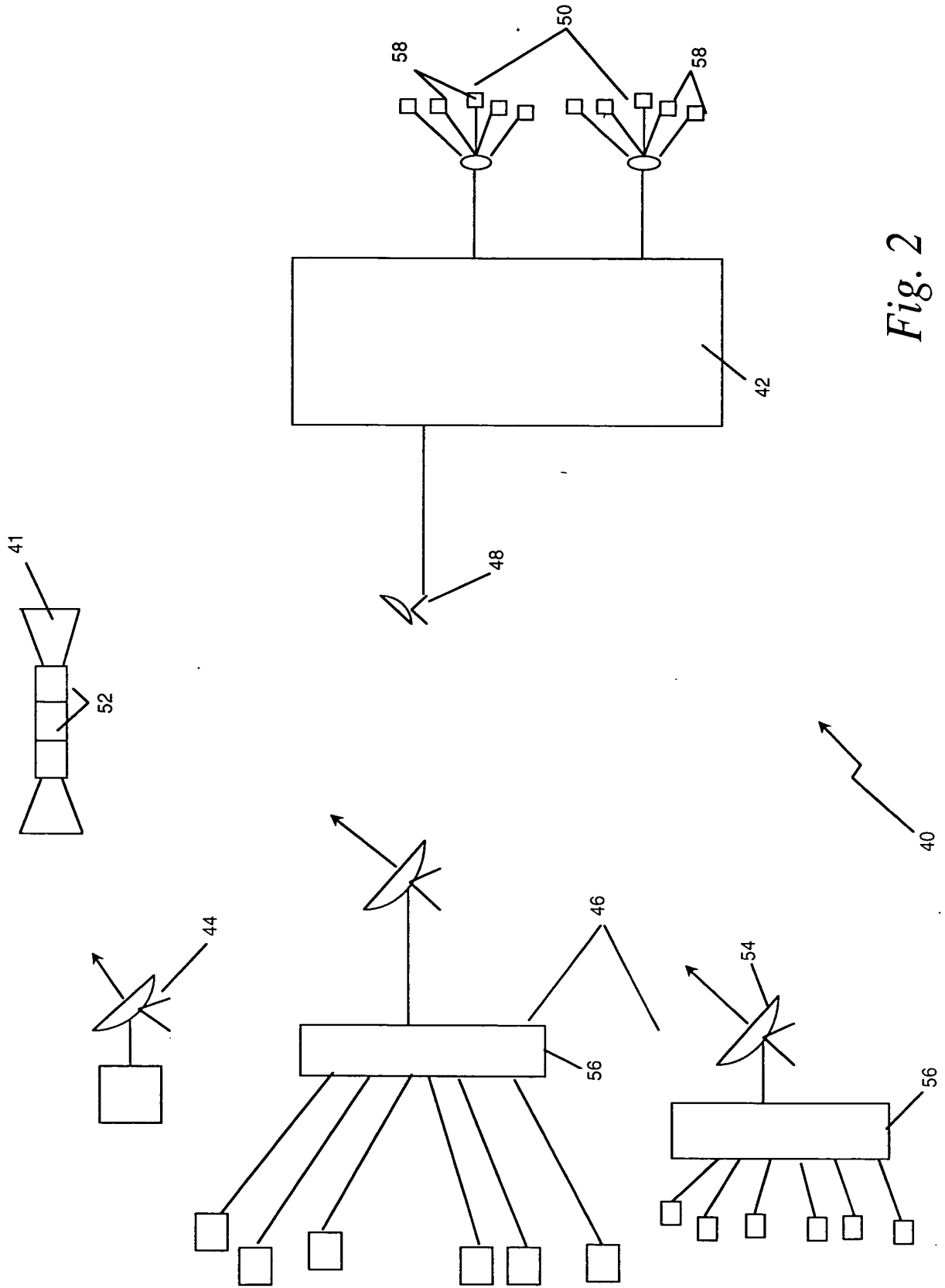
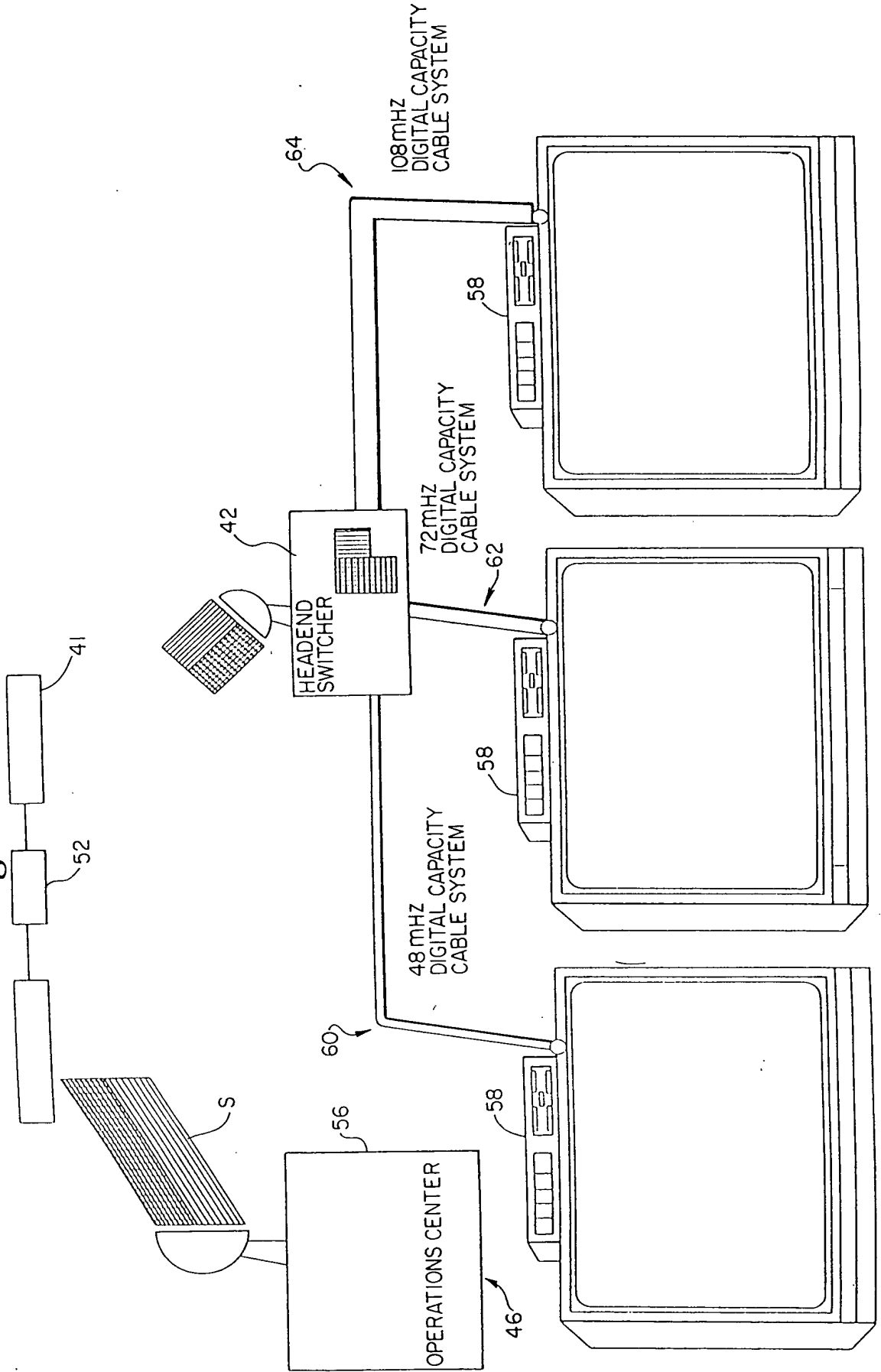


Fig. 2

Fig. 3a



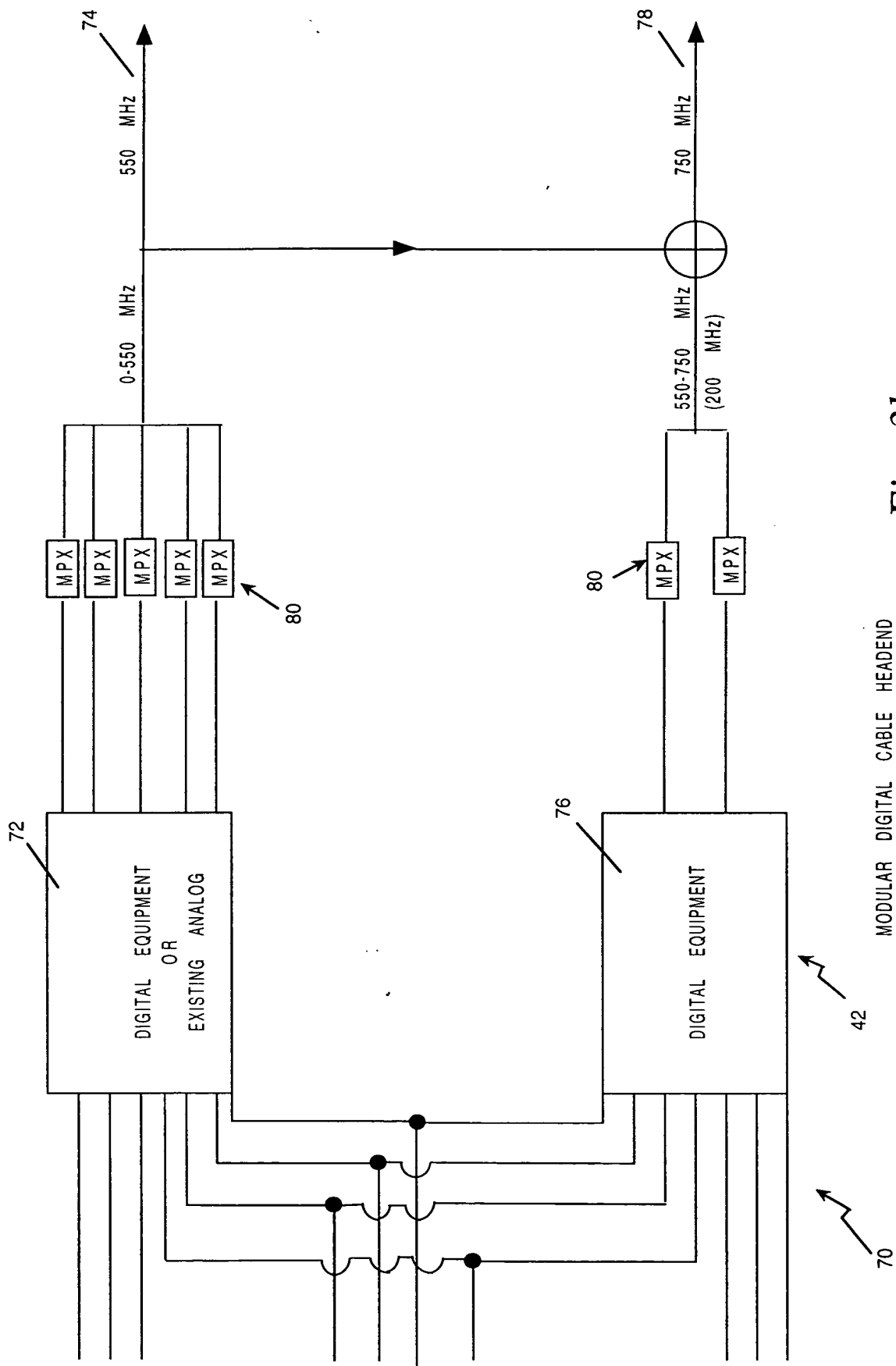


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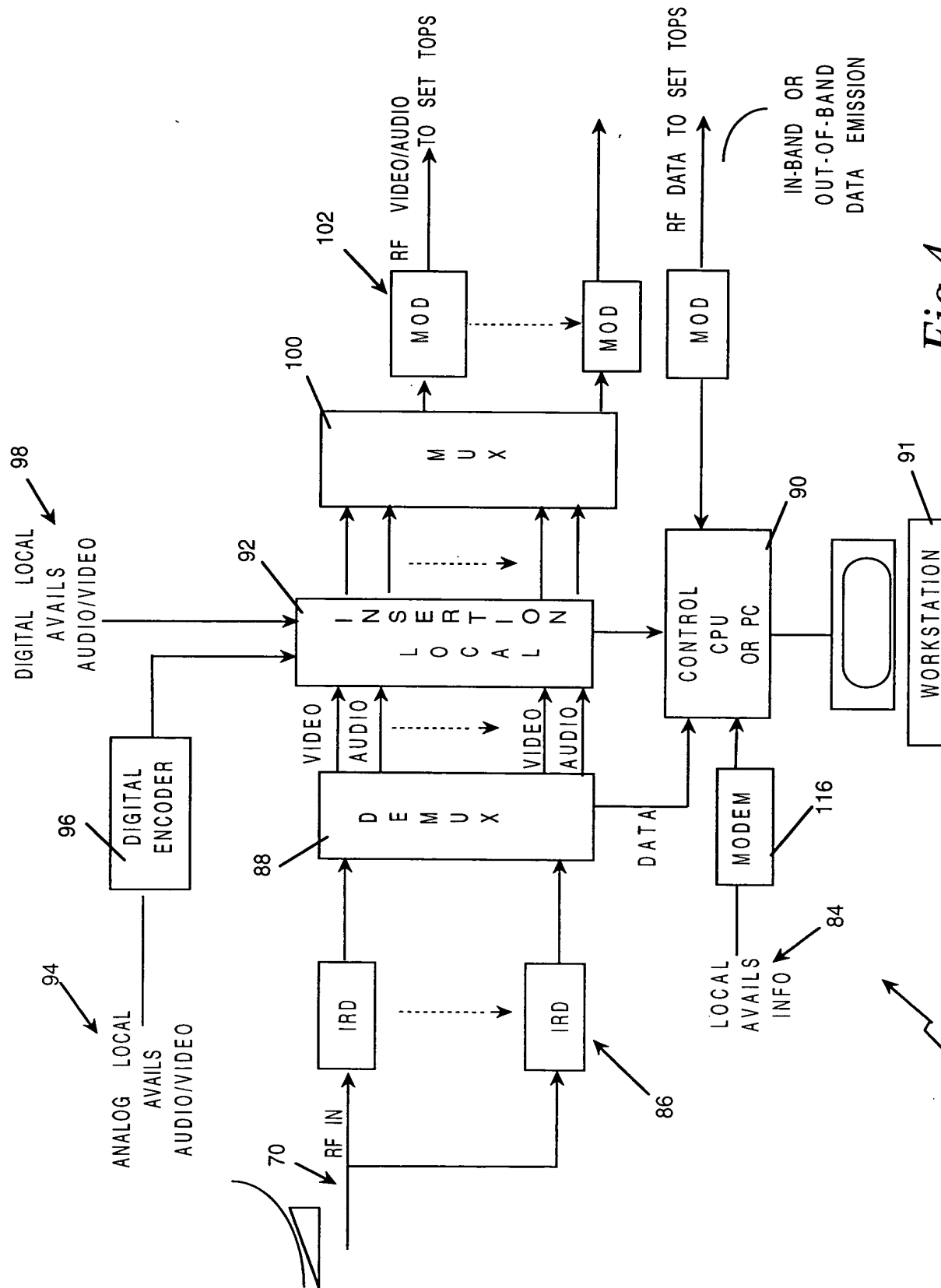


Fig 4

BASIC DIGITAL CABLE HEADEND

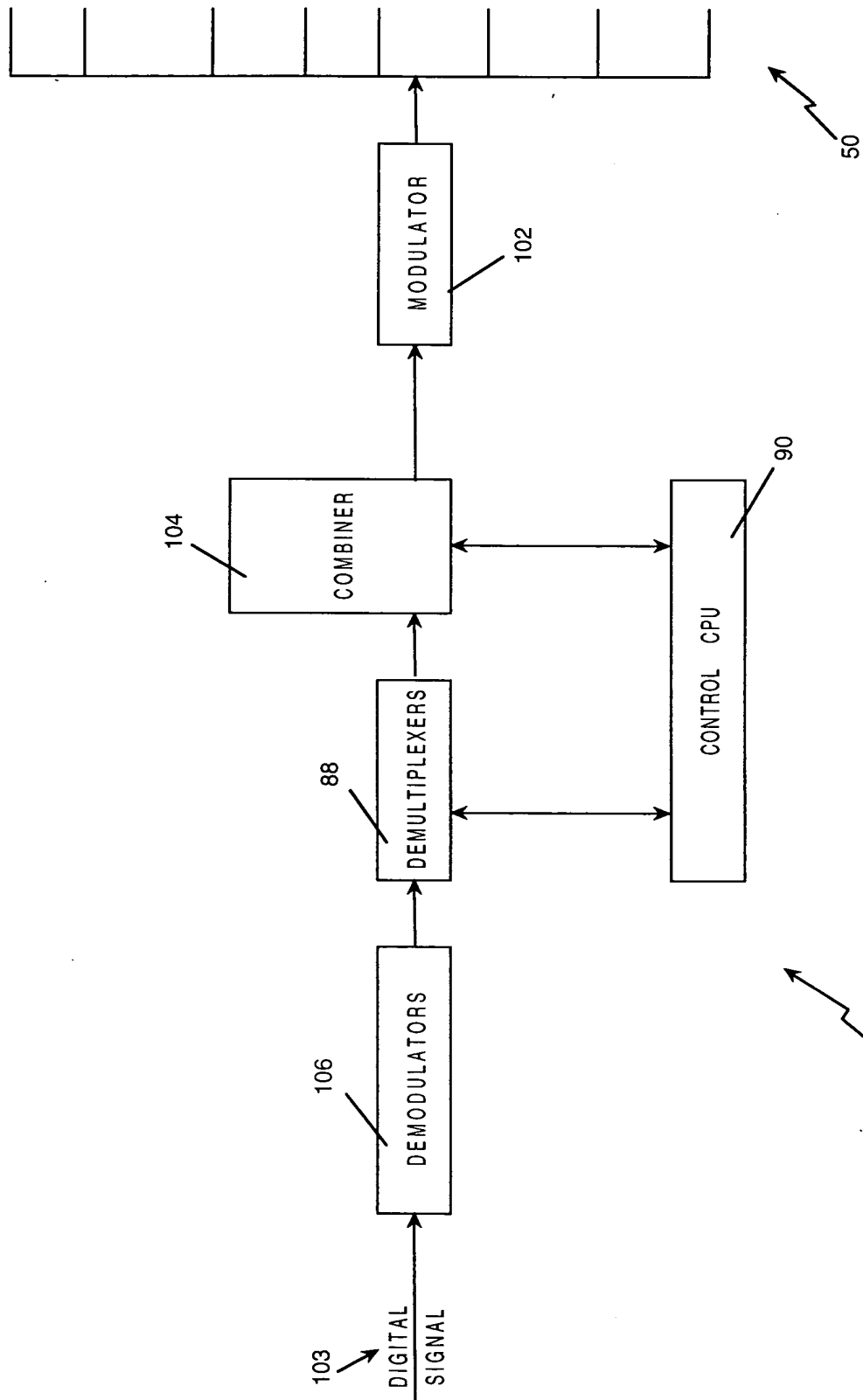


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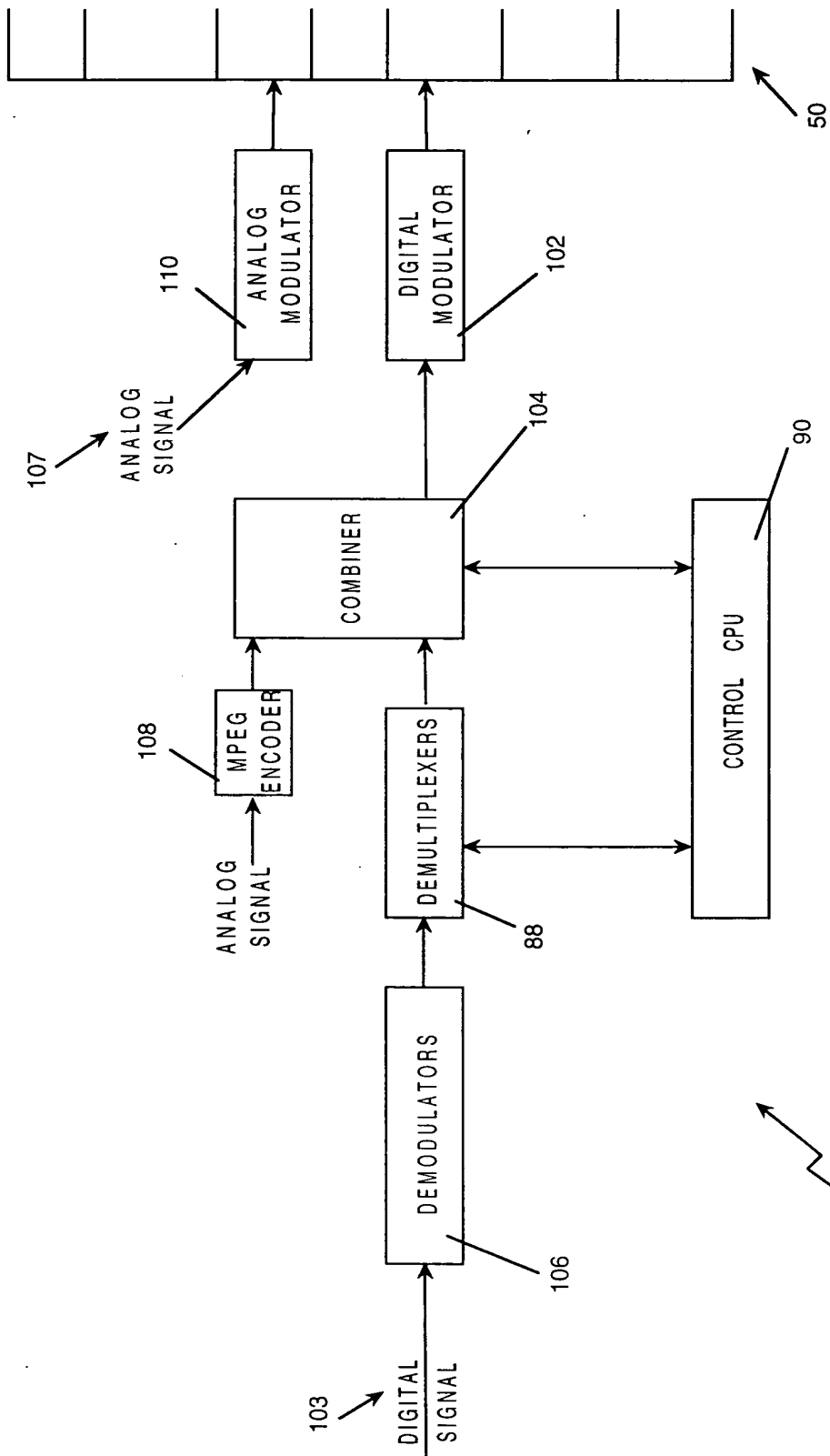


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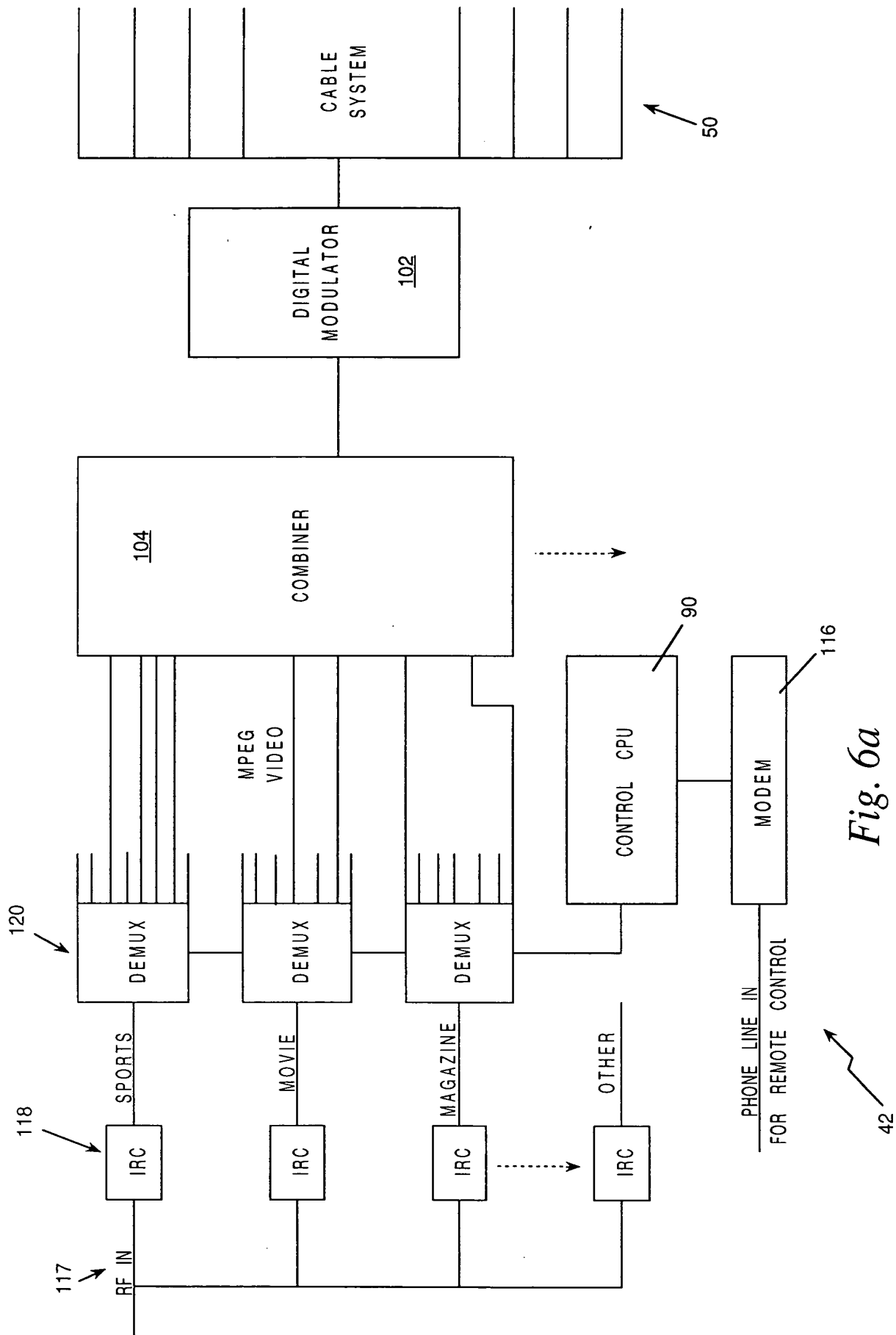


Fig. 6a



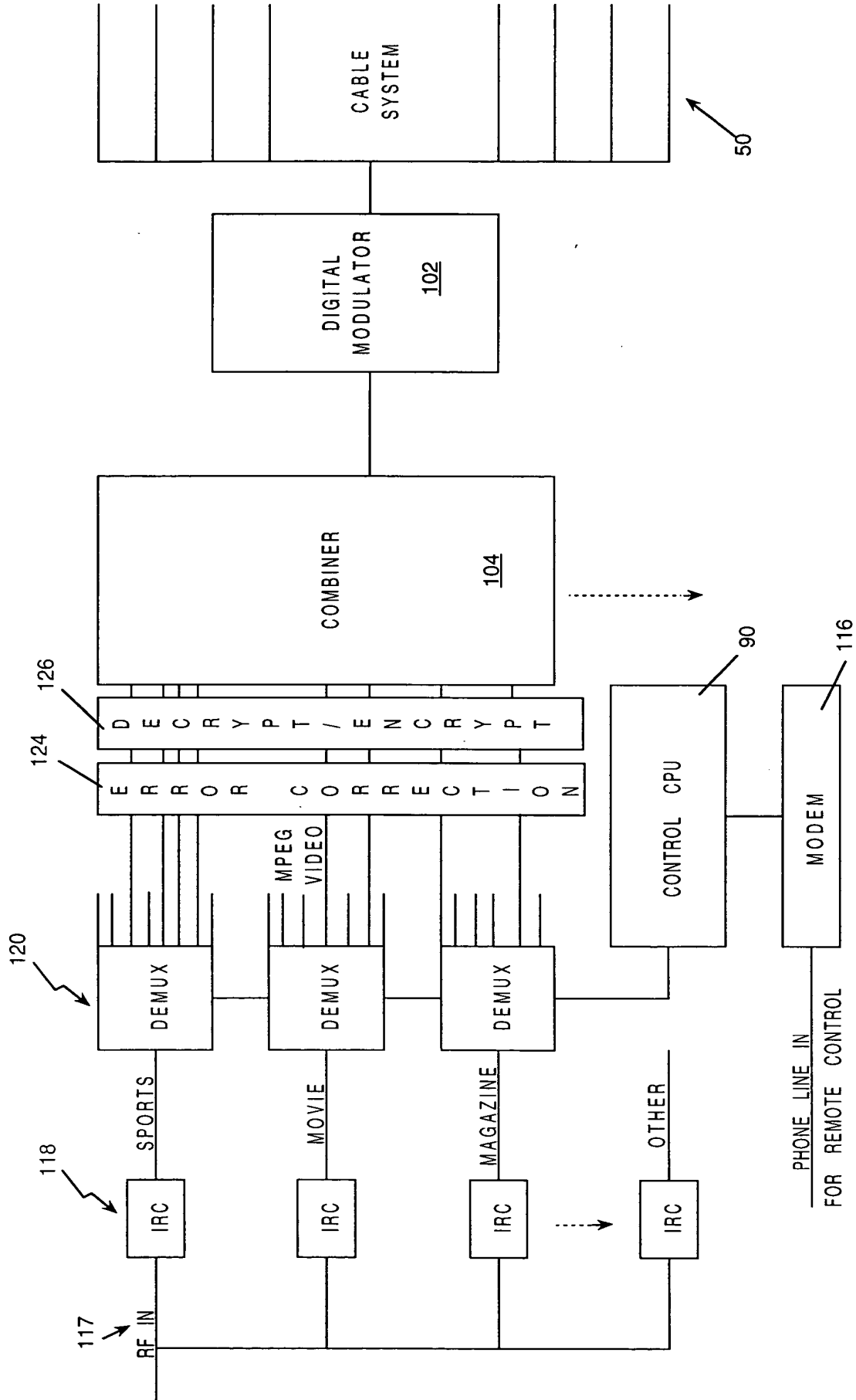


Fig. 6b

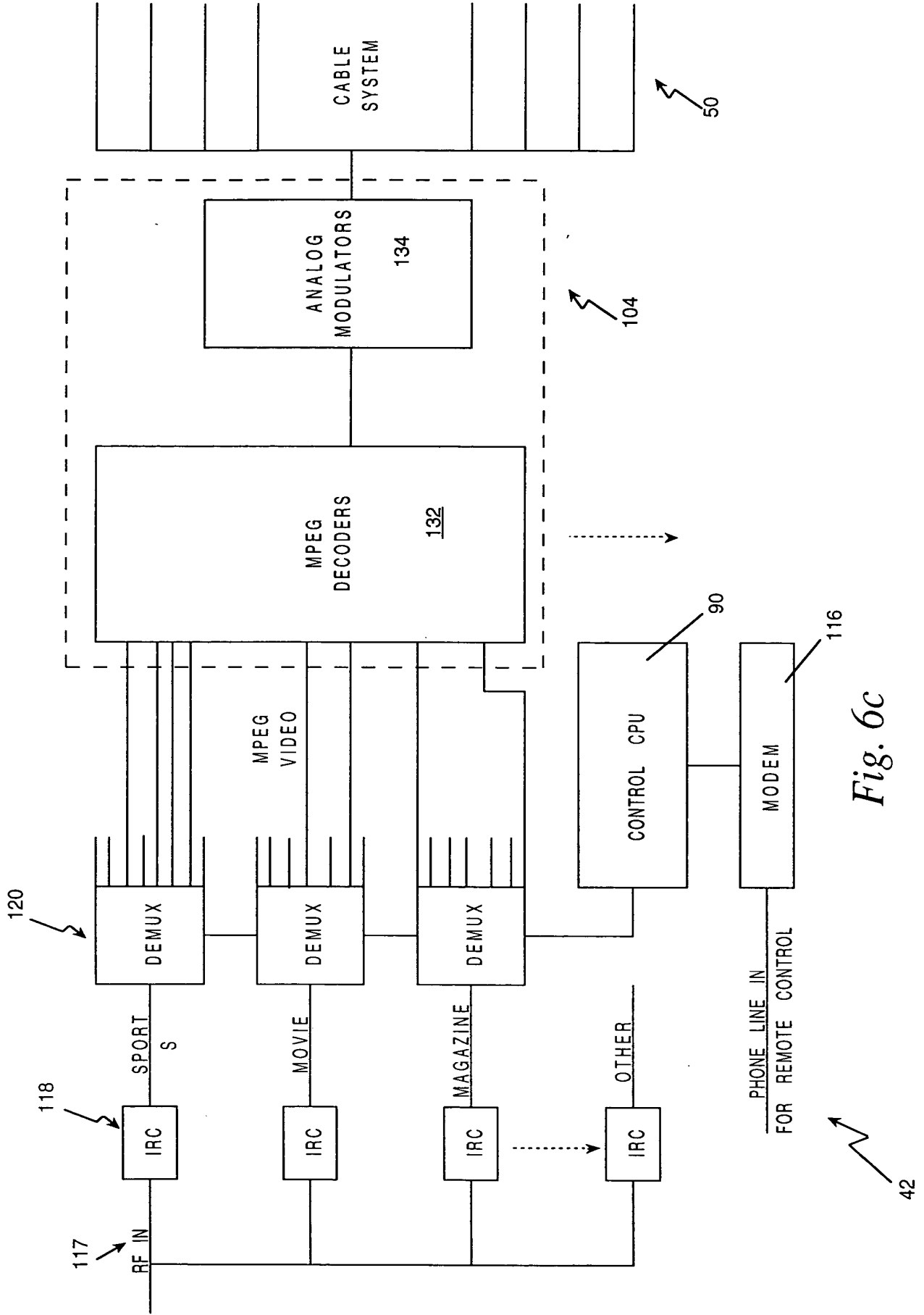
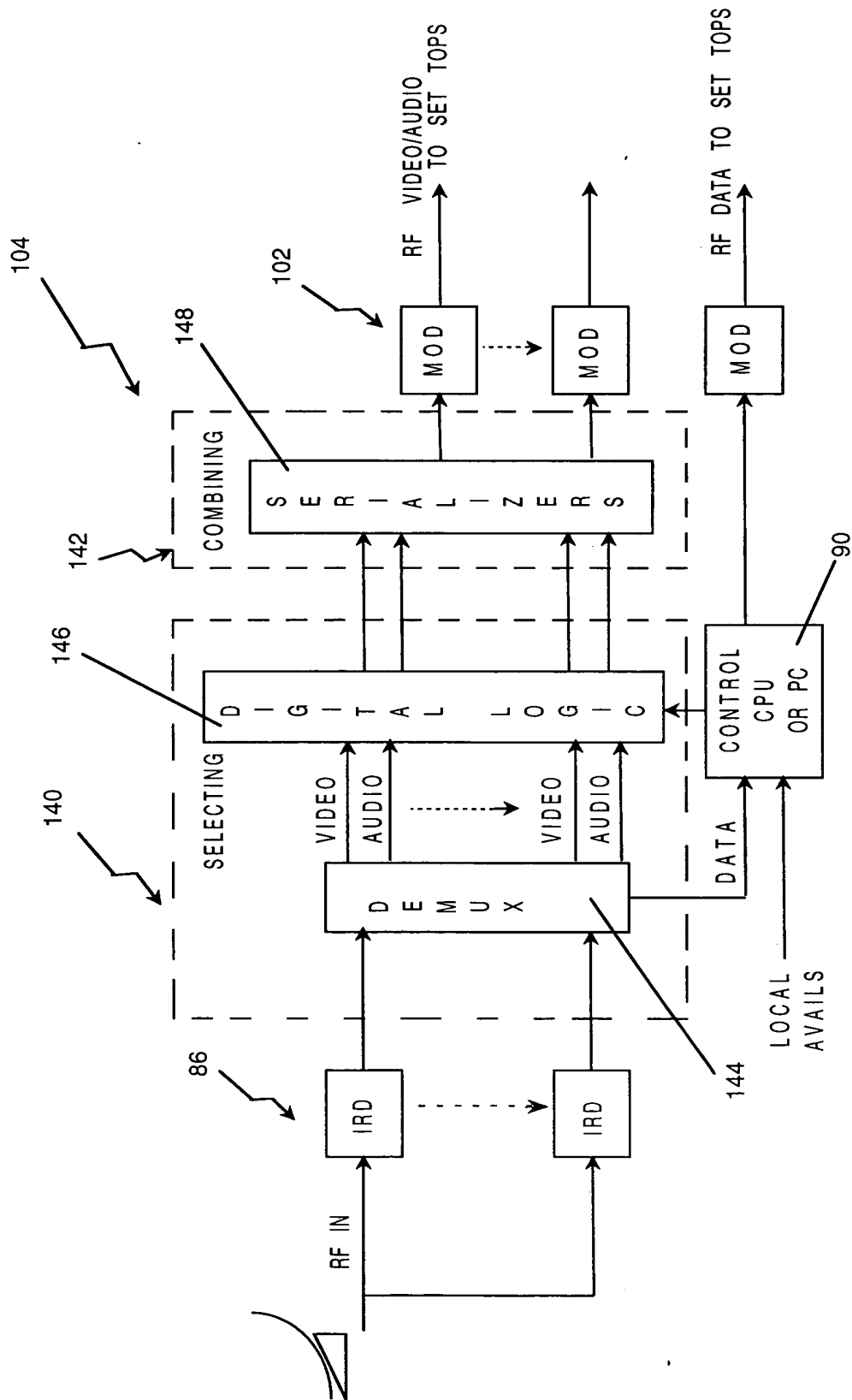


Fig. 6c



DIGITAL CABLE HEADEND WITH COMBINER

Fig. 7

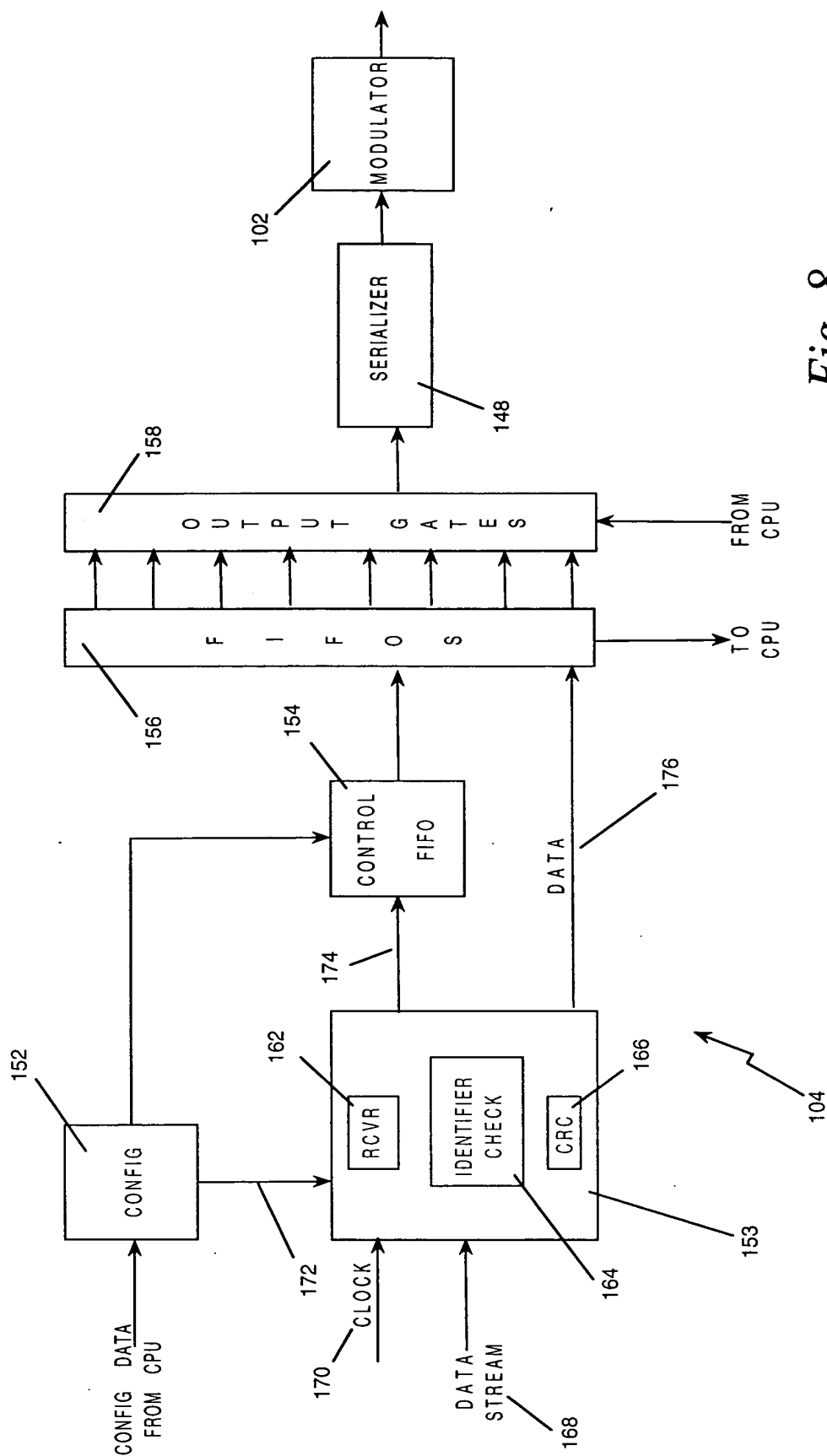


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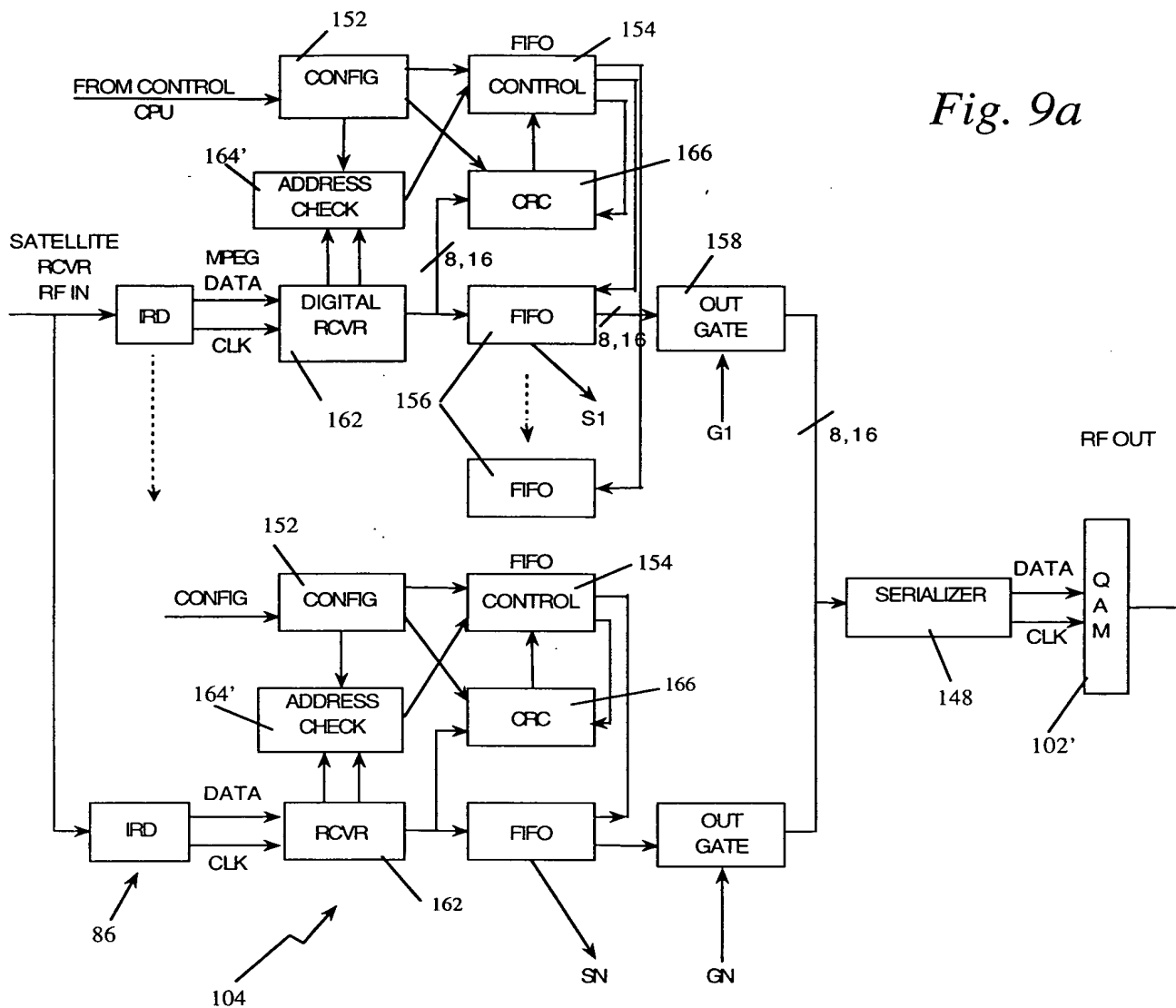


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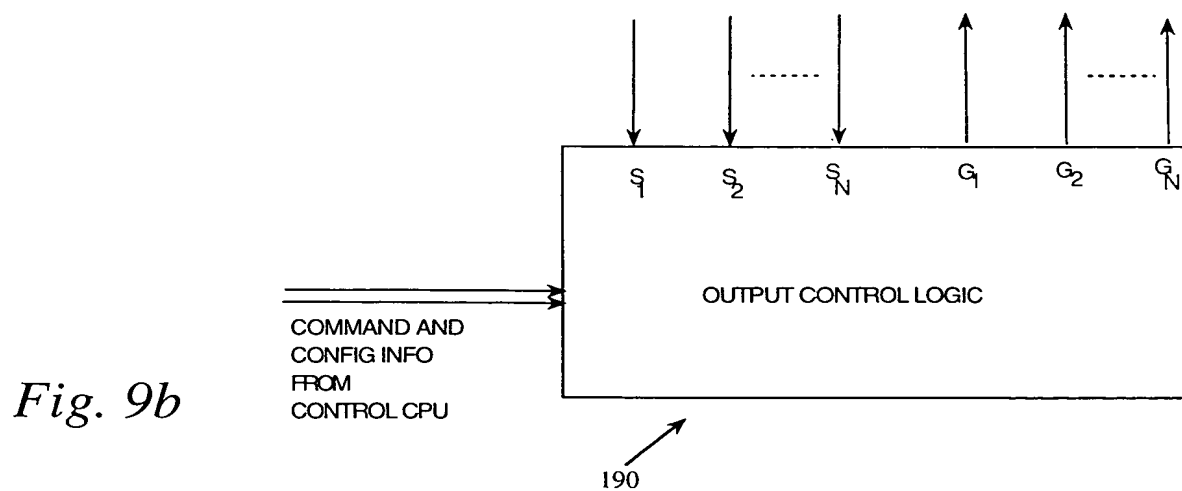


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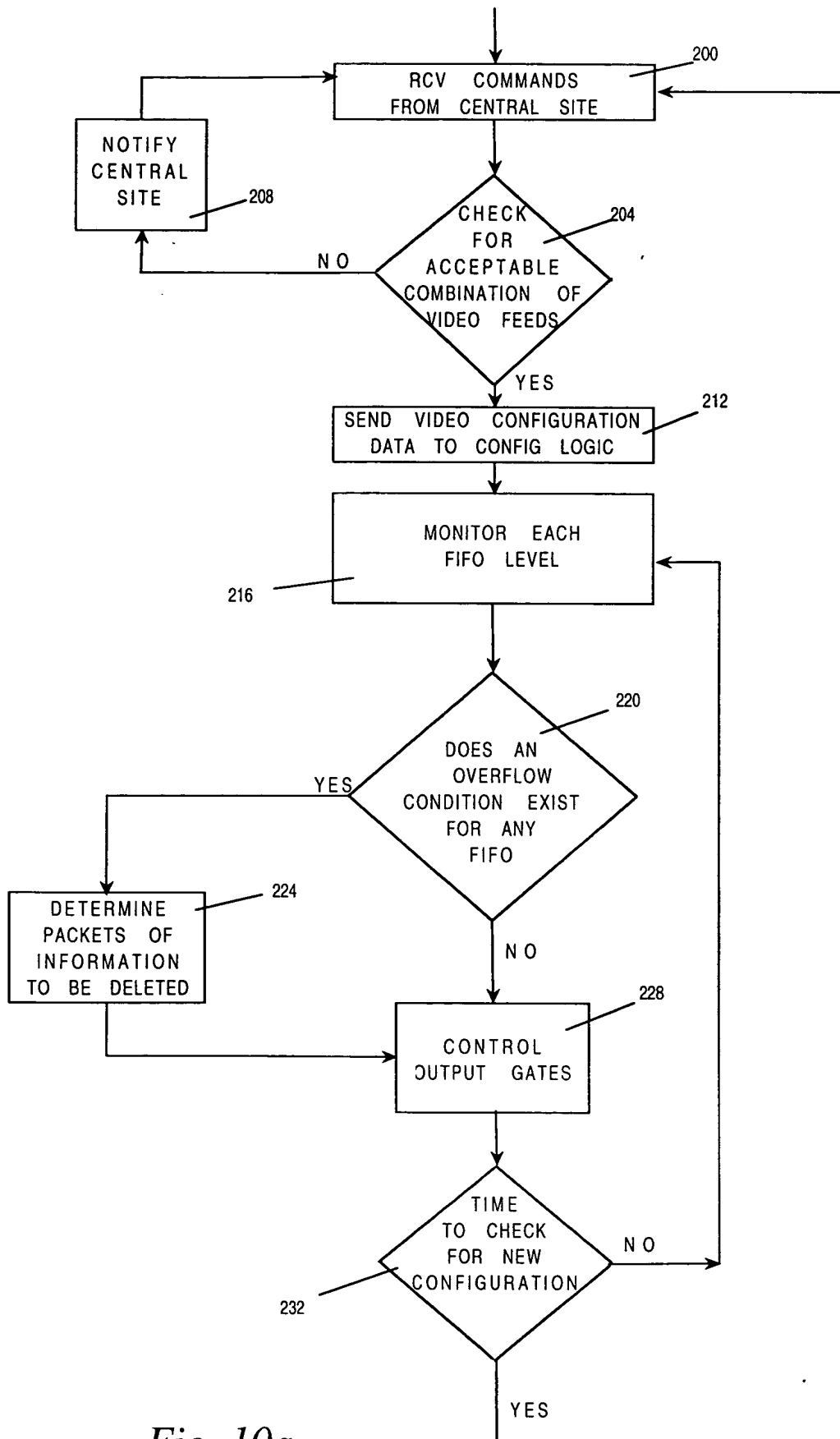
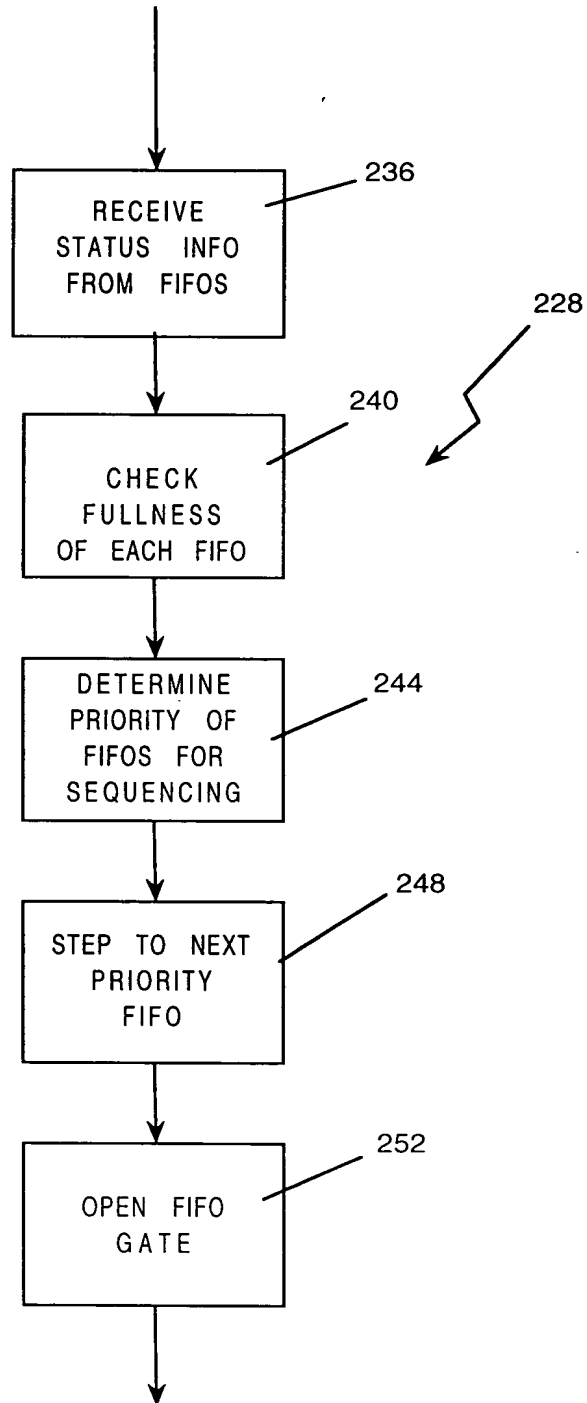


Fig. 10a



*Fig. 10b*

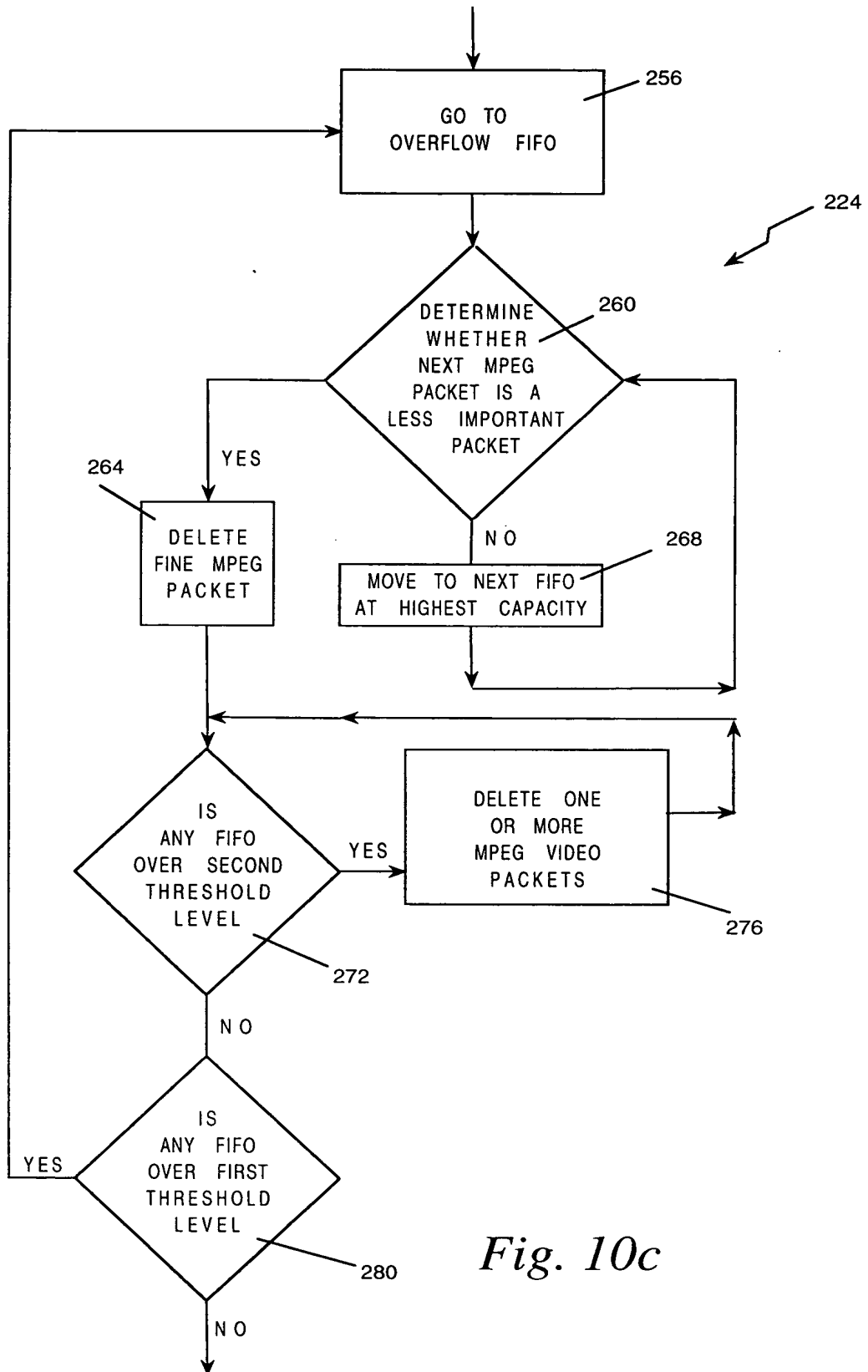
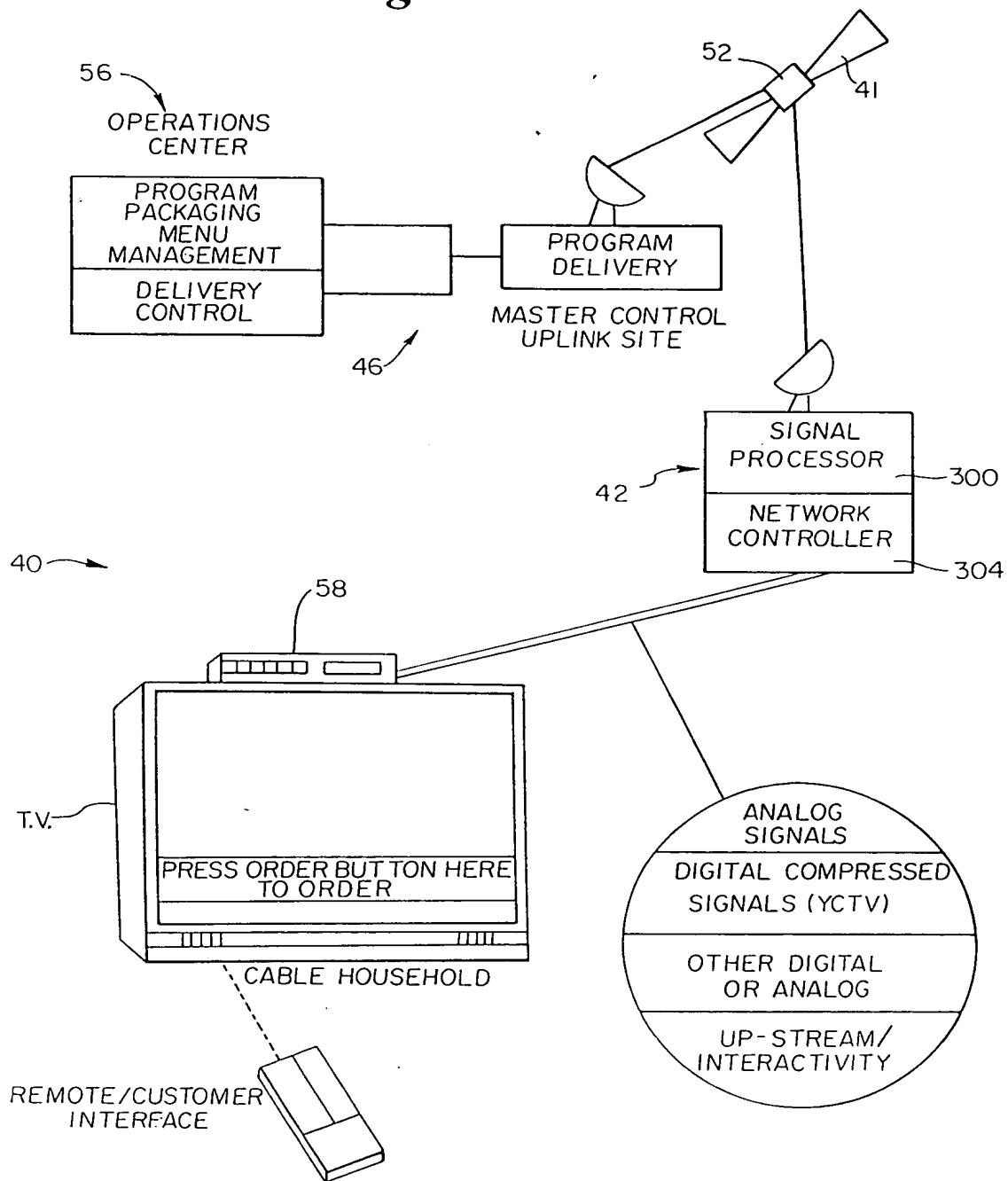


Fig. 10c



**Fig. 11**



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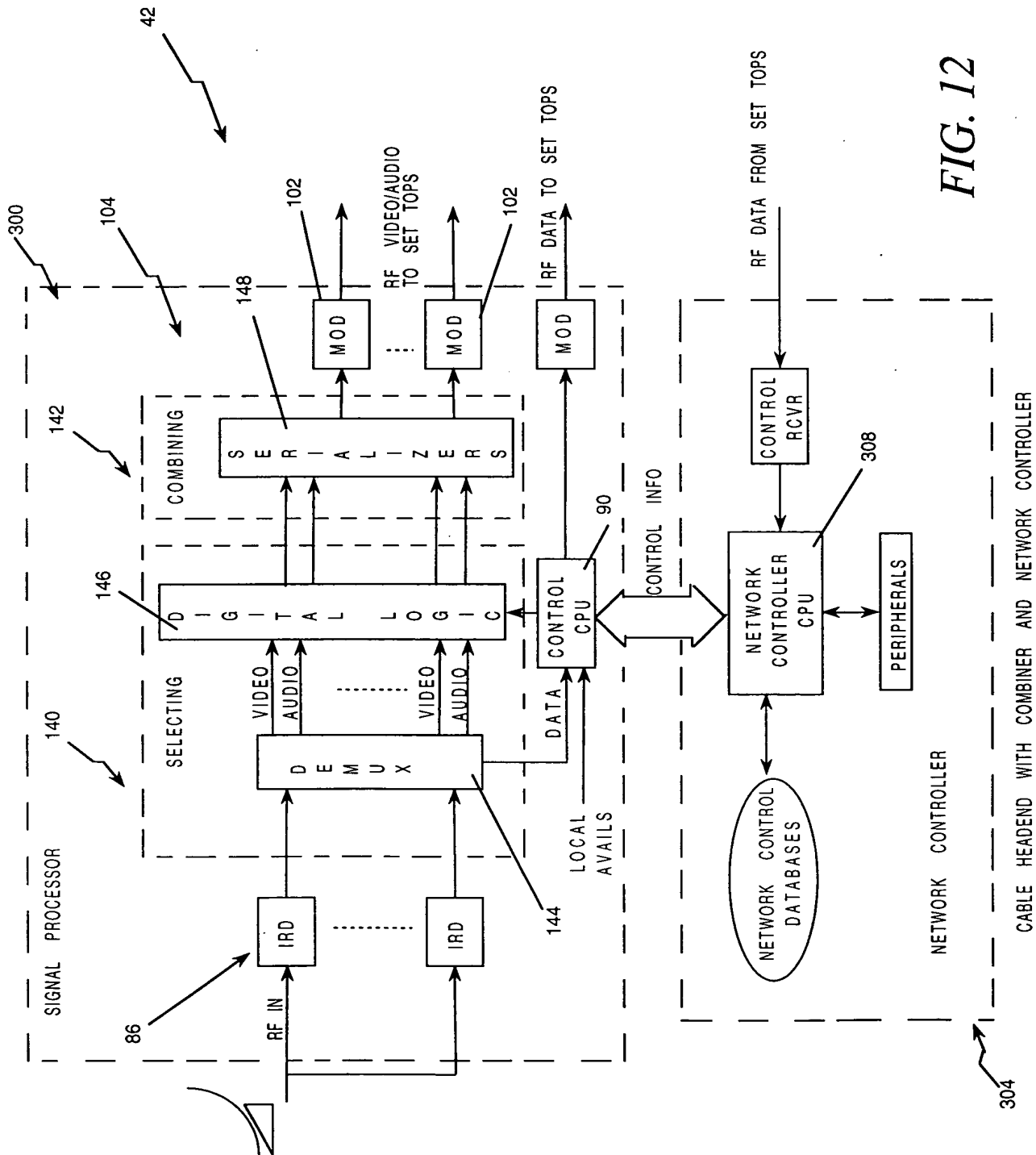


FIG. 12